

Plebsite Soon For \$1.00 a Day Hospitalization

A plebsite will be held in the near future for inclusion of the Calgary Rural Municipal Hospital district which involves the Holy Cross and General Hospitals at Calgary, the Bonanza Municipal Hospital and the Didsbury Municipal Hospital.

The district was set up in April 1949 under a provisional board which has now prepared a plan whereby ratepayers in the district may secure \$1 a day hospitalization benefits. Ratepayers in the district may participate at the \$1 daily rate provided they pay a minimum tax of \$7.50 annually. The rate would then cover the family and domestic help of the ratepayer.

Non-ratepayers may also join by paying \$7.50 annually to the district in the case of a family, and \$5 in the case of single persons.

Non-ratepayers would then re-qualify the income included in the scheme on the basis of a 2.5 mill levy on rural values and a 3.54 mill levy on urban values.

It is estimated this levy would realize a total of \$74,567 to which would be added a provincial grant of \$40,467 and \$1,512 from the sale of non-ratepayer contracts.

The provincial grant estimates there would be 22,182 patient days at a total cost of \$110,336 to which would be added administration expenses of \$6,850, leaving a surplus of \$5,359.

If the three new ranges are included, they will join the Municipal District of Bow Valley, Calgary and Springbank; parts of Mountain View and Serviceberry; parts of Improvement Districts 46 and 50; the town of Gleichen and the villages of Alricre, Cochrane, Crossfield and Iricana. It is planned to place the scheme in effect on July 1, provided the ratepayers approve in the forthcoming plebsite.

A gentleman came into a barber shop with a small boy one day and explained that since he had an appointment in the neighborhood he would like his own hair cut first. This being so, he handed the small boy up into a chair, urged patience upon him, and departed. When the boy's haircut was finished and the gentleman had not returned, the barber said the child in a chair. A half-hour passed.

"Don't worry," said the barber remarking, "I'm sure your father will be back soon."

"My father!" exclaimed the boy, "Why, he's not my father! He just came in here in the street and said, 'come along, let's both get a hair cut.'"

GARDEN PLANT PROTECTORS FROM WIND AND FROST

In gardens where high winds and late frosts sometimes occur in the spring, plants benefit greatly when protected early in the growing season.

A shelter belt of trees is very valuable for this purpose. One or two rows of tall growing trees and a row of low growing shrub, such as caragana, provides protection at ground level. A row of evergreens, with their dense foliage and excellent mature tree height supplies all year protection.

In the absence of trees, a number of materials can be used for temporary plant shelter. Snow fencing placed around the garden affords fair protection. Dead tree branches, boughs, shingles, plaid and to the plants will reduce wind and sun damage.

Certain kind of tender vegetables respond to protection provided for the individual plants. Tomatoes, peppers, melons and cucumbers are in this category. The use of tin cans with the ends removed and placed over the plants will prevent wind and cutworm damage.

A number of manufactured plant protectors available to the gardener are highly satisfactory. These protectors are made of paper and are sometimes reinforced with wire. The most recent type is made of plastic. All of these are effective in preventing damage to plants due to wind, hail, frost, drifting soil and many kinds of insects.

Plastic-covered Station three protectors have been used to advance

the seeding date of melons and the transplanting date of tomatoes as much as two weeks. As a result ripe melons and ripe tomatoes were obtained eight to ten days earlier and in larger quantities than from plants not protected.

Protectors of ample size allowing good air space around the plants have given most satisfactory results. However, it is essential that the protector square hole be cut in the protector preferably on the south side for ventilation. Two square of paper should be left attached on one side so that it forms a flap which can be closed during frosty nights. When the plant inside the protector reaches the top of the enclosure, usually by June 17 to 21, a hole should be cut or torn for the plant to grow through. The protector is not removed.

Town & District

Mrs. M. Holt and son baby returned home from Calgary last week where she has been for some weeks.

R. C. Clifford manager of the Pioneer grain elevator has a crew repairing the annex to the elevator.

Word has been received in town that Mr. Harry Carreck is confined to a hospital at Duncan, B. C. suffering from a broken arm.

Scotty Kier who has been living in Cobble Hill, on Vancouver Island for sometime, is slowly recovering a very bad heart condition. He has been in the hospital for some time and has lost 85 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Buhr returned during a weekend from a three weeks holiday trip spent in the western states. While away they visited relatives in Los Angeles and Santiago. They also made a trip to Mexico. Mr. Buhr says they had a wonderful trip and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Now that our little feathered friend is back again, would it not be a good idea to overhaul the houses already provided for them and put up some new ones. They are already looking around for a place in which to set up housekeeping and raise their young.

Student Union Gold Awards were made at the University for four students in recognition of their ability in students functions. Miss Pauline Stenmager of Gleichen, president of Waumatta and member of student's council was one of the recipients of this the highest honor that can be awarded by the Student Union. Miss Stenmager has taken part in many musical activities at Waumatta, I.R.S., the Musical Club and director of Wau Wau.

John Edwin Upton died Tuesday morning at the age of 78 years. He had been a resident at Evans Home for some months. He was born in Ontario and had lived in Alberta for many years. He was a tailor in Lethbridge. Mr. Upton is survived by several children. The remains were shipped to Pincher Creek for burial Wednesday evening by G. W. Evans.

Provincial government authorities appear to have launched a concerted drive in the interests of safe motoring. This need has long been advocated by the Alberta Motor Association which has called for steps to bring about greater safety and the curbing of reckless and dangerous drivers. A bill to amend The Vehicles and Highway Traffic Act, passed at this recent session of the legislature, makes careless driving an offence for which one may be arrested without warrant, while stiffer penalties also are provided for certain infractions. Of major interest is the action of the legislature to require compulsory inspection of all motor vehicles in the province commencing July 1. After that date no person will be permitted to drive any motor vehicle that has not been inspected within a 12-month period and has not been certified and given a sticker indicating it is safe to operate on the road.

The provincial government also has announced that 30 B.O.M.P. constables will be added to the Alberta force for highway patrols duties. This will mean a 24-hour patrol service on all main highways.

The Olympic Club founded in Montreal in 1842, was Canada's first club to sponsor outdoor athletics.

Reckless Motor Driving Cause Most Accidents

With the approach of spring and summer the time draws near once again the road and highways of the country will be thronged with tens of thousands of automobiles. The streets of towns and cities jammed with traffic. Soon tourists will be in our midst while weekend trips from our centres of population to summer resorts and other vacation spots will engage the attention of the residents of all sections of the country.

Is the result to be the hanging up of another record number of casualties arising out of automobile accidents? In 1951 to provide another dark spot on our much vaunted civilization of one of the most reckless in automobile driving and resultant deaths as were reported in 1950? Are the more and better highways being built all over the country to save the tragic outcome of steadily adding to the death toll because people driving on bad roads exercise care in operating their cars?

Recent figures published for one city show a very large increase in the number of car accidents reported in 1950 as compared with previous years. It is true of practically every city in Canada and in the United States.

Reckless as it may seem it is considered that the most encouraging aspect of the appalling loss of life in the fact that reckless driving is the principal cause of accidents. One writer expresses himself thus in regards to accidents, "If carelessness and over confidence kill and hurt so, many carelessness and consideration in prevent such losses."

Evidence goes to show that the majority of accidents last year occurred on straight and dry roads, in road daylight with experienced and astute drivers at the wheel. In an overwhelming majority the machine inscribed property; the man was at fault. He took uncalculated chances. In a striking analysis of accident reports a well known insurance company displays many startling figures in this subject. Contrary to common impression women were proved to be safer drivers than men. Young men and their best physical development were the worst offenders.

Improper driving and nothing else was responsible for more than two-thirds of all traffic deaths and injuries recorded in 1950. Speeding, driving in the wrong side of the road and failure to grant right of way all violations of improper driving, account for a greater percentage of accidents than any other single cause.

Other violations of the laws as well as of common sense took a heavy toll. The biggest single cause of accidents, however, was the improper attempt to take the right of way from some other traveller, selfishness, selfishness.

As might be expected, week-end driving is most hazardous. Sunday is the worst day by far and Saturday is next.

There was a time when defective construction of cars, poor brakes, etc., were held responsible for most accidents. Today the fact has been well established that as drivers we are not so good as the cars we operate. Men have learned to operate ships at sea safely. The records of the railroads are marvellous. Where safety is the goal, airplanes have achieved miracles in protecting human life. In other words, we can operate high-powered fast moving machines if we put our minds to it.

What we have to learn is that safety is more important than speed. Drivers must be made to realize that they are steering three of four thousand lives on last page.



WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO ?



At times most of us have looked at purse, wallet or bank-book, and wondered: "Where does the money go?" You may have wondered, too, where does our money go—the money we receive for gasoline, fuel oil, lubricants and other products we sell. Well, last year each dollar we received went this way:

CRUDE OIL and the other raw materials we bought took half of each dollar.

OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE expenses took more than 23 cents. This was the cost of searching for and producing crude oil, and of manufacturing and marketing the hundreds of products we supplied for thousands of uses. Throughout the year high quality products were made available where and when you needed them.

TRANSPORTATION of products from our refineries to marketing points took the next big bite of the dollar. Products moved over wide areas to serve every community in Canada.

TAXES to provincial and federal governments took 7.64 cents. And this did not include gasoline tax which—depending on where you live—ranks from 22 to 33 cents out of every dollar you spend for standard grade gasoline.

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Mysterious Bad Lands of Alberta

Rare living creatures of the reptilian age and possibly a new key to the track's a part are locked in the bleak forbidding badlands of southern Alberta. Such extraordinary creatures as horned lizards, three-toed sloths, scorpions, white ants and scorpions (sun spiders) live on the "padding-stone" rock and even as their forebears did in the era before the Rocky Mountains were formed.

These badlands, too, are the stamping grounds of rattlesnakes, horned vipers and deadly black-widow spiders—poison life completely alien to other parts of Canadian prairies.

There is no longer any doubt that these queer species of toads, scorpions and insects are native to this region of Alberta and their survival tells a lot about what Canada was like long before the dawn of civilization.

As an interesting coincidence, the semi-tropical yucca plant, too, flourishes in these strange wastes, living a life as strange as any of the insects or reptiles about it. Only the yucca moth can fertilize the yucca plant. Two species of yucca moths have been identified. These moths lay eggs at the time of fertilization, then the larvae eat the developed seeds of the yucca plant though plenty remain for perpetuation of the yucca.

It has been known for a long time of course that the bad lands are a mecca for scientific research. Furthermore, they constitute a natural museum.

Next time you are in the vicinity of the Range Station at Manyberries looking over the livestock or grass plots, take a few hours off to see these ancient fauna and flora in their natural habitat.

We had a small spring blizzard last Wednesday and Thursday. The drifting snow did not amount to much but it plugged some roads in town and country.

Last week many thousands of dollars was paid to the Indians. This money was known as lease money received from leases of land to white men. The Indians filled the town spent their money freely thus gladdening the hearts of the storekeepers.

The Salvation Army

Meetings held in the Auditorium of Everdine Home as follows:

Sunday, April 29th, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Sr. Major and Mrs. A. F. Parkinson in charge.

Wednesday, May 2nd, 7:30 p.m. Rev. W. Morrison in charge.

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The seven seas are the North Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Pacific, South Pacific, Antarctic, Arctic and Indian Oceans.

Honey bees are sold by the pound. Yorkshireman W. E. Hopkins is considered champion "world cocktail maker. His "John Simon," for which he used a gin base, won him the title in open competition in London.

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A very large man and a smaller one had been long enough at the bar to reach the confidential stage. "Do you know," remarked the large one, "I weighed only three and a half pounds when I was born?"

"No," said the small man incredulously. "And did you live?" "Did I live? Boy you should see me now!"

Oology is the study of the science of birds eggs.

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